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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

In re:)	Chapter 11
CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., et al.,)	Case No. 08()
Debtors.)))	Jointly Administered

MOTION TO FILE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS UNDER SEAL

The debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors") hereby move

The Debtors and the last four digits of their respective taxpayer identification numbers are as follows: Circuit City Stores, Inc. (3875), Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. (0785), InterTAN, Inc. (0875), Ventoux International, Inc. (1838), Circuit City Purchasing Company, LLC (5170), CC Aviation, LLC (0841), CC Distribution Company of Virginia, Inc. (2821), Circuit City Properties, LLC (3353), Kinzer Technology, LLC (2157), Abbott Advertising Agency, Inc. (4659), Patapsco Designs, Inc. (6796), Sky Venture Corp. (0311), Prahs, Inc. (n/a), XSStuff, LLC

(the "Motion") for entry of an order substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto, pursuant to sections 107(b)(1) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") and Rule 9018 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") authorizing the Debtors to file certain documents under seal. In support of the Motion, the Debtors respectfully represent:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction to consider this Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue of these cases and this Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 2. The Debtors continue to manage and operate their businesses as debtors in possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 1107 and 1108.
- 3. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases, and no committees have yet been appointed or designated.

⁽⁹²⁶³⁾, Mayland MN, LLC (6116), Courchevel, LLC (n/a), Orbyx Electronics, LLC (3360), and Circuit City Stores PR, LLC (5512). The address for Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. is 9250 Sheridan Boulevard, Westminster, Colorado 80031. For all other Debtors, the address is 9950 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23233.

4. The statutory predicates for the relief requested herein are section 107(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 9018.

BACKGROUND

- 5. On the date hereof (the "Petition Date"), the
 Debtors filed voluntary petitions in this Court for relief
 under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The factual
 background regarding the Debtors, including their business
 operations, their capital and debt structure, and the events
 leading to the filing of these bankruptcy cases, is set
 forth in detail in the Declaration of Bruce H. Besanko,
 Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of
 Circuit City Stores, Inc., in Support of Chapter 11
 Petitions and First Day Pleadings, filed concurrently
 herewith and fully incorporated herein by reference.
- 6. Also filed concurrently herewith is the Debtors'
 Motion for Interim and Final Orders Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§
 105, 361, 362, 363 and 364 and Federal Rules of Bankruptcy
 Procedure 2002 and 4001 (I) Authorizing Debtors (A) to
 Obtain Postpetition Financing and (B) to Utilize Cash
 Collateral; (II) Granting Adequate Protection; and (III)
 Scheduling Interim and Final Hearings (the "DIP Motion").

In the DIP Motion, certain of the Debtors² and InterTran as borrowers (collectively, the "Borrowers"), request authority to, among other things, obtain postpetition financing consisting of a \$1.1 billion senior revolving credit facility from certain lenders (collectively, the "DIP Lenders"), including Bank of America, N.A. ("Bank of America") and General Electric Capital Corporation ("GECC"), with Bank of America as administrative agent.

7. As set forth in the DIP Motion, the Borrowers have agreed to pay facility closing and other fees specified in certain letter agreements with Bank of America and GECC (the "Fee Letters").

RELIEF REQUESTED

8. By this Motion, the Debtors respectfully request entry of an order pursuant to section 107(b) and Bankruptcy Rule 9018 granting the Debtors leave to file the Fee Letters under seal.

BASIS FOR RELIEF

9. Section 107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code authorizes the Court to issue orders to protect entities from potential harm caused by the disclosure of confidential information.

In particular, section 107(b) provides that:

The Debtor borrowers are Circuit City Stores, Inc., Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc., and Circuit City Stores PR, LLC.

On request of a party in interest, the bankruptcy court shall, and on the bankruptcy court's own motion, the bankruptcy court may—

(1) protect an entity with respect to a trade secret or confidential research, development, or commercial information.

11 U.S.C. § 107(b)(1).

10. In addition, pursuant to Rule 9018 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure:

On motion or on its own initiative, with or without notice, the court may make any order which justice requires . . . to protect the estate or any entity in respect of a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information . . .

FED. R. BANKR. P. 9018.

11. In granting relief under section 107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, "[t]he court determines whether the subject documents falls within the provisions § 107(b) and the appropriate remedy if they do." In re Barney's, Inc., 201 B.R. 703, 707 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1996). If the documents in question fall within the parameters of section 107(b), "the court is required to protect a requesting interested party and has no discretion to deny the application." In re Orion Pictures Corp., 21 F.3d 24, 27 (2d Cir. 1994) (emphasis in original); see also In re Lomas Fin. Corp., 1991 WL 21231,

- at *2 (S.D.N.Y. Feb. 11, 1991) (noting the broad scope of the term "commercial information"). Public access to the confidential record should be denied if "closure is essential to preserve higher values and is narrowly tailored to serve that interest." In re Washington Post Co., 807

 F.2d 383, 390 (4th Cir. 1986) (quoting Press-Enterprise I, 464 U.S. 501, 510 (1984)); see also In re Nunn, 49 B.R. 963, 965 (Bankr. E.D. Va. 1985) (sealing customer list because allowing "a competitor access to [creditor's] customer list would obviously have an adverse effect on [creditor]").
- 12. Due to the confidential nature of the Fee Letters, the Debtors respectfully submit that good cause exists for the relief requested. No alternative method would adequately protect the confidential and proprietary business information contained in these agreements.
- 13. The Debtors will deliver copies of the Fee Letters to chambers for <u>in camera</u> review by the Court and to the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia.
- 14. Notice of this Motion will be given to: (i) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia; (ii) counsel to the agent for Debtors' postpetition lenders; (iii) counsel to the agent for the

Debtors' prepetition lenders; and (iv) the Debtors' top
fifty (50) largest unsecured creditors on a consolidated
basis. The Debtors submit that, under the circumstances, no
other or further notice of the Motion is required.

WAIVER OF MEMORANDUM OF LAW

15. Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(G), and because there are no novel issues of law presented in the Motion and all applicable authority is set forth in the Motion, the Debtors request that the requirement that all motions be accompanied by a separate memorandum of law be waived.

NO PRIOR REQUEST

16. No previous motion for the relief sought herein has been made to this or any other Court.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter an order substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto and grant the Debtors such other and further relief as is just.

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EXHIBIT A

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ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTORS TO FILE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS UNDER SEAL

Upon the motion (the "Motion") 1 of the Debtors for an Order, pursuant to section 107(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code and Rule 9018 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure,

¹ Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Motion.

wherein the Debtors requested authority to file certain documents under seal; and the Court having reviewed the Motion and the Besanko Declaration; and the Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given and that no other or further notice is necessary; and upon the record herein; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefore, it is hereby,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. The Debtors are authorized to file the Fee Letters under seal and provide copies of the Fee Letters to Chambers for <u>in camera</u> review, and to the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia.
- 3. This Court retains jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation or interpretation of this Order.

Dated: Richmond, Virginia November 10, 2008

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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CERTIFICATION OF ENDORSEMENT UNDER LOCAL RULE 9022-1(C)

I hereby certify that notice of the Debtors' intent to seek entry of the foregoing proposed order was provided to the parties identified in the Motion and copy of this proposed order was provided to the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia prior to submission to this Court.

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